

Efficiency Improvements With the Radiofrequency H— Ion Source RADIS

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A CW 13.56 MHz radiofrequency-driven H— ion source RADIS is under development at the University of Jyväskylä for replacing an existing filament-driven ion source at the MCC30/15 cyclotron. Previously, production of 1 mA H— beam, which is the target intensity of the ion source, has been reported at 3 kW of RF power [1]. The original ion source front plate with an adjustable electromagnet based filter field, has been replaced with a new front plate with permanent magnet filter field. The new structure is more open and enables a higher flux of rotationally excited molecules towards the plasma electrode and provides a better control of the potential near the extraction due to a stronger separation of the main plasma from the plasma electrode. While the original system provided better control over the e—/H— ratio, the new configuration has led to a higher production efficiency of 1 mA H— at 1.75 kW RF power. The latest results and upgrade plans are presented.

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